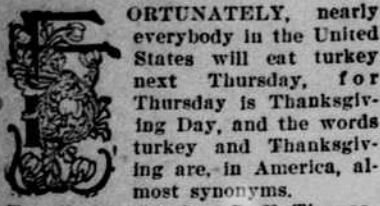


TURKEY KING this Week



To tell a good turkey, D. E. Thomas, who is one of the poultry experts of Philadelphia, says:

"Examine the end of the breast bone—the end that is near the tail. If this is a piece of soft, movable gristle the bird is young. If it is solid, hard bone the bird is old."

"Examine the neck, and open and look into the eyes. Staleness shows itself first in a darkening of the neck. The eyes should be bright and full; dull, sunken, faded, they indicate that the bird has been killed too long. Select a plump turkey, because such a turkey is juicier, tenderer, sweeter."

THE ESSENTIAL QUALITIES.
"Those are the three qualities necessary in a turkey—that it be fat, that it be young, that it be fresh—and there is no reason why any one should be fooled. For it is just as easy to tell a good turkey as to tell a good apple or a good peach."

A turkey is hard to raise. That farmer is a lucky man who, hatching out 100, is able to bring thirty-three to market. For young turkeys are

feast, would hold them too long, and night would fall upon them still far from home. Immediately, then, their journey would cease; right where they were they would prepare to roost. But the farmer's wife would always, on such occasion, look them up, knowing well where they were to be found, and under her urging they would come home reluctantly.

But one night when they did not return she thought she would let them stay out. What harm could happen to them? Surely they would be all right in the morning. And she left them alone, and the next day only four of the flock returned. The rest were found lying dead about the fence where they had roosted, and in the neck of each dead body, just below the ear, there was a little round hole, the work of a weasel. For weasels kill turkeys in this way to suck their blood. Thus it will be seen that in many ways turkeys are hard to raise.

They are fed upon cracked corn, wheat screenings and mush. If it is cold they will eat a good deal and get fat. But if it is warm, they wander over the fields gobbling up grasshoppers, and such fare does not fatten them. Only when they eat grain do turkeys take on flesh, and they will not eat grain until the weather gets cold, until there is snow on the ground, so that they can find nothing else to eat.

Therefore the Christmas and New Year's turkeys are fatter and better always than the Thanksgiving ones.

HATCH IN FOUR WEEKS.
Turkeys hatch out in four weeks—one week more than the time required for chickens. In May they are born. The Thanksgiving turkey of the first

while the Germans with the same inaccuracy call it "kalekuter," or bird from Calcutta.

As a matter of fact the turkey is indigenous to America, and Europe knew nothing of it until the Jesuits transported it from Mexico to France. They raised it on one of their farms near Bourges, and on this account there are certain French provinces where to this day in honor of its sponsors the turkey is called a "Jesuit."

The English do not know precisely when the turkey came amongst them. They approximate its arrival in the following antique couplet:

Turkeys, carps, hops, pickered and beer
Came into England all in one year.
COOKING THE BIRD.

An old English magazine, the Perfect Gentlewoman's Delight, gives a quaint recipe for cooking turkey. "Take and clean your bird on the back," it says, "and bruise all his bones; then season with salt and pepper, grosse beaten, and put into him good store of butter; he must have five hours' baking."

But the best way to cook a turkey is to roast it, stuffing it with truffles. The truffle is a subterranean edible fungus, black and warted outside, and pale and veined within. Hogs are trained to root the truffle up. It is at its best in Perigord, and Perigord truffles are the ones that the American cooks use, for there are no native truffles of any sort in this country.

A statistician estimates that on Thanksgiving Day 7,000,000 turkeys will be eaten in the United States. These birds will weigh 63,000,000 pounds, and they will cost \$9,000,000.

THANKSGIVING MENU

Split pea soup
Roast Turkey
Oyster sauce Cranberry jelly
Sweet potatoes
Cauliflower
Browned white potatoes Lima Beans
Baked macaroni
Lettuce salad
Mayonnaise
Plum pudding
Salted peanuts
Fruit
Coffee

NIGHT RIDERS BREAK LOOSE.

Negroes Terrorized by Fresh Outbreak of Whitecapism.

BLACKS BEING RUN OUT

Change of Venue Granted Slayer of Sheriff Williamson at Hernando. Construction of Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City Railroad Completed.

The white cappers have broken out again in what was known as the McCall's Creek neighborhood in Lincoln, Franklin and Amite counties, and it is reported that negroes are being terrorized and driven away. Senator McGee, of Franklin county, who was a recent Jackson visitor brought the story of the reappearance of this band, who have been operating in these counties for a number of years. He says that the other night they visited the house of Isaiah Dillon, a peaceable, quiet old negro, who attended strictly to his own affairs; that the white cappers shot into the house of the negro with their revolvers, riddling its sides with bullets, and several balls passed through the cover of the bed upon which the old man was sleeping. This is a favorite way the white cappers have of ridding the country of negroes and similar treatment has been meted out to other members of the race. The white cappers have given many of the negroes verbal orders to leave for other parts of the country, and to waste no time in making up their minds to get away. The result is that all the negroes are frightened, many have left the neighborhood, and it is almost impossible to secure a negro laborer.

New Corporations.

Governor Longino has approved the charter of incorporation of the Hattiesburg Eight-Wheel Wagon Company, domiciled at Hattiesburg in the county of Perry, with a capital stock of \$30,000. George M. Fouts, S. L. Heidelberg and associates are the incorporators. The governor has also approved the charter of the Bethany High School, domiciled at Whynot, Lauderdale county, with H. E. Dearman, S. Robinson and R. Martin as incorporators. The school will be conducted under the rules outlined by the State superintendent of education for rural high schools.

Michigan Park Commission.

The Michigan commissioners to the Vicksburg National Military Park arrived in Vicksburg a few days ago. They are Gen. F. S. Hutchinson of Iowa, Col. Geo. H. Hopkins, of Detroit, and Capt. E. E. Lewis of Coldwater. They were joined by T. J. Abbott and Robert Oliver of Rockford, Ill., who are also members of the commission. They will be in Vicksburg for several days locating the several positions occupied by the Wisconsin troops during the siege.

L. & N. Extension.

About two years ago the Louisville and Nashville Railroad built a branch from Selma, Ala., to Linden, Marengo county, when work was suspended. The ultimate objective point was conjectured to be Meridian. Now it is reported that engineers are laying an extension of the Louisville and Nashville from Selma to Demopolis, and thence to Meridian.

Laurel and Mobile Connected.

The Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City Railroad is now complete between Mobile and Laurel. The management of the road states that passenger service will begin between Laurel and Mobile by Dec. 15.

G. & S. I. Superintendent.

Birny Marion, a well-known railroad man has been appointed Superintendent of the Gulf and Ship Island Railroad.

Lumber Barge Slags

News is received of the sinking of the transfer barge Powell at Ship Island. The accident is supposed to have occurred during the gale. The barge had about 100,000 feet of lumber aboard. It was comparatively new and the property of Poitevent & Favre.

Mr. L. C. Hutchins, a prominent planter of the Yazoo Delta, says that the crop in his part of the state will fall short of last year's crop by fully 15 per cent. He says he is not in a position to speak for the whole state, but from what he has heard from other sections the Mississippi crop will be quite short. Most of the crop in both the Delta and hills have been harvested.

Change of Venue Granted.

W. H. Moody, slayer of Sheriff L. W. Williamson, of Hernando, has been granted a change of venue to Pasola county, and his bond fixed at \$3000 at the same term of court. Frank Monroe, alias G. W. Justice, charged with forging a letter of credit on the Milner-Kesig Company of Birmingham, and securing money from several banks in the State, was given three years in the penitentiary.

Company to Operate Ship Line.

A number of Gulfport business men have held a meeting for the purpose of organizing a company to operate vessels between Gulfport and foreign and domestic ports. The company will be capitalized at \$100,000, and probably begin operations within the next thirty days.

Negro Arrested.

Jim Grimes alias Jim Dean, a negro, wanted at Watson, Ark., for shooting a white man named Neilson and Neilson's wife and child, was captured at Lamont a few days ago. He was lodged in jail at Rosedale and the Watson officials notified.

Respite For Condemned Negro.

Tom Brown, a negro, sentenced to hang at Winona, has gained a respite through an appeal to the Supreme Court.

Louisville Business Men Entertained.

One hundred members of the Louisville Board of Trade were guests of the Vicksburg Board of Trade, and were entertained by the Elks at their building.

Died Before He Could Name Murderers.

Elmira, N. Y.—W. H. Clendenen, a telegraph operator at Brown, Pa., was found dead in the telegraph tower shortly after 8 o'clock at night. At 6:30 the operator at Oak, Pa., on the road, received this message from Clendenen: "Send switch engine quick to me; am being murdered by—" The wire opened and not another word came. A switch engine was sent to the scene, and reached Brown in a short time. The body was found lying under the desk, the head crushed in. A bloody spike maul lay on the floor beside it. Robbery, apparently, was the motive, the watch and money of the operator being missing. Clendenen evidently recognized his assailant, and was about to wire his name when he was struck dead at the key.

Chicago Strike.

Chicago.—Still clinging to the hope that a termination of the street car strike might be achieved through efforts at arbitration Mayor Harrison and the aldermanic mediation committee gathered in the former's office. Members of the executive board of the striking division of our men had previously assembled with President Mahon to discuss the counter proposition made by the railway officials. The peace board of city officials waited as patiently as possible for the strikers' representative to make a decision which might mean an amicable settlement of the strike or another step toward a general demoralization of the city's industries. At the union headquarters the impression prevailed that the offer would be rejected. Operation of four lines—the Cottage Grove avenue, Indiana avenue, Wentworth and Halsted street lines—was continued.

Didn't Die.

Philadelphia.—Edward Wynne has been arrested on a complaint charging him with having deserted his wife nineteen years ago. Thinking the body of a soldier in the almshouse at Cleveland was that of her husband, Mrs. Wynne buried it and collected the life insurance. She has supported herself for the last nineteen years and never doubted that her husband was dead until recently, when he was identified in this city by his son.

Union Cooks.

New York.—At an enthusiastic meeting of cooks and their assistants plans have been laid to unionize the kitchens of every hotel, restaurant and club in the city under the auspices of the New York Culinary Association. There are said to be 2,000 members already enrolled and these include all shades and degrees of chefs.

Panama Will Ratify Treaty.

Washington.—It has been decided that the Panama canal treaty shall be ratified at Panama. The commission will sail December 1st for that state, arriving there on the 7th. It is expected that between that date and December 10 the treaty will be ratified.

National Banks.

Washington.—The comptroller of the currency has issued a call for the condition of national banks at the close of business November 17.

Voted on Coal Strike.

Louisville, Colo.—The miners at Erie, Lafayette, Louisville, Marshall and Superior have voted again on the proposition to declare off the coal strike in the northern coal field. The members of the union refuse to make public the proposition they voted on or the result, but there are indications the strike will be declared off in this field.

U. S. Realty.

New York.—Five prominent financiers interested in the United States Realty and Construction Company have issued a card asking holders of the preferred and common stock of the corporation to deposit their holdings on or before December 15 with the United Trust Company of this city, "with a view to securing radical changes in the administration of the company."

NEWS OF THE DAY TERSELY RELATD.

Things Throughout the World Told in Pointed Paragraphs.

WAVES FROM THE MAGIC WIRES.

Condensed and Served While Hot to Our Readers in Labor-Saving Slices—Cream of Late Dispatches From the Four Quarters of the Globe.

The London outlook severely attacks the attitude of the United States at Panama.

Brazil is ready to acknowledge the independence of Panama when application is made.

Panama has rejected all of the peace proposals of Colombia.

It develops that Panama is not responsible for the bonded debt of Colombia.

Premier Von Koerber replied to Premier Tisza in the Reichsrath.

The Prussian Diet elections were marked by much violence.

The Kaiser will go south, as he cannot stand the rigors of a German winter.

An attempt was made to assassinate the tutor of King Alfonso at Madrid. King Victor and Queen Helena have left for Italy.

The French Government passed an amendment to the educational law prohibiting members of congregations from teaching in the higher schools, by a small majority.

Ephraim W. Clark, serving a life sentence for murder as one of the mutineers on the schooner Jefferson Borden, has been pardoned by President Roosevelt.

F. M. Drake, Ex-Governor of Iowa is dead.

Patrick A. Collins is the Democratic nominee for Mayor of Boston. The Republicans named George N. Swallow. Judge Joseph E. Gary, of Chicago, has celebrated the fortieth anniversary of his career on the bench.

The Twentieth United States Infantry has left Fort Sheridan for the Philippines.

The Russian Press says the Panama incident proves the imperialistic tendency of this country.

It is said the indictment of Senator Dietrich saved District Attorney Summers from dismissal.

Commander Hubbard declares that the Colombians practically made war on the United States during the trouble at Colon.

The last proposition of the Colorado mine-owners is being accepted by the miners.

Miller and Johns charged with conspiracy in connection with the postal scandals, have been acquitted at Cincinnati.

Socialists in the Federation of Labor will try to defeat President Gompers with a Socialist candidate.

Two men were killed in a collision on the Norfolk and Western near Matewan, W. Va.

W. J. Bryan is being shown many courtesies in London.

The assignment of the Borgna Gallery to Cardinal Del Val has evoked some protest, which is allayed by the announcement that the gallery will remain open to the public.

The Lebaudy airship blew up when it came in contact with a tree.

A naturalized American named Allen is under arrest in France for suspicious actions in getting information about French fortifications at Cherbourg.

General Reyes had a futile conference with the Panamanian Commissioners at Colon, and was surprised at the things he learned. He gave out an interview in which he said he was going to Washington to see the President. He said Admiral Coghlan officially told him the United States would not permit Colombian troops to reach the Isthmus. He says Colombia will not submit to this, but agreed to withhold action until he reached Washington. The American guarantee of the sovereignty of Panama was a great blow to him.

Tom Horn, noted army scout and Indian fighter, has been executed at Cheyenne, Wyo., for the murder of a boy.

Fire at Louisville destroyed the old Masonic Temple, used as a theatre, causing a loss of \$225,000.

Sau Domingo city is still under fire of insurgent forces. The French cruiser has landed marines for protection of the Consulate.

It is reported that Wos y Gil was negotiating with the United States for the sale of Samana Bay, which brought on the revolution.

Airship Blew Up.

Paris.—The Lebaudy airship on descending near the ballooning grounds at Mendon, struck a tree and blew up. The whole airship was completely destroyed, but the occupants, a pilot and engineer, were uninjured. M. Lebaudy was not on board.

COAL BILL FOR THE NEW CAPITOL

Will Cost, It is Estimated, \$3,000 a Year to Keep up Steam.

A JOB FOR THE SOLONS.

They Must Pass a Bill Providing for Expense Money Necessary to Keep the Magnificent Structure Heated and in Running Order.

Jackson, Miss.—On the 20th of September the State officials moved from the old building into their new home. Then there were 200 tons of coal stored away in the bins in the basement. Now that coal is practically all gone, a consumption of 100 tons a month, or an expense of practically \$400. The weather has been very mild up to the last few days, and the steam has not been turned on more than four weeks out of the eight. During the winter the consumption of coal will probably amount to more than 100 tons per month. The officers estimate, that the coal alone will cost \$8,000 a year, for the boilers must be going winter and summer, as they supply steam for the lighting plant and to run the elevators.

The number of convicts who want pardons now is something fearful. The friends of prisoners now in the penitentiary must think that the Governor is going to depopulate the prison before he goes out of office. It is stated by Secretary McDowell that something like an average of twenty petitions for pardon a day are received at the Governor's office. There is now a pile of them and every mail brings more. The Governor will pardon very few convicts before going out of office in January.

There is little doubt that Jackson will have a paid fire department within the very near future. Every business man in the city is in favor of abandoning the present volunteer service and placing the fire department on a paid basis. At the next meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen an ordinance will be introduced looking to the change of system. At the business meeting, at which Chief Joyner of the Atlanta fire department made a talk, five members of the City Council were present, and each one expressed the opinion that a paid department should be established.

All the railroads entering Jackson announced a rate of one fare plus twenty-five cents for the meeting of the Mississippi Business Men's League.

W. Calvin Wells, Jr., has received a letter from Commander W. McL. Fayesoux, at the head of the Sons of Veterans of the South, appointing him to the position of commander of Sons of Veterans of Mississippi. The appointment was made by reason of the fact that Mississippi failed to elect a commander. Mr. Wells is prominent in the Sons of Veterans of the State, and has been commander of the Fourth Brigade. Mr. Wells states that in the next few days he will appoint the commander of the Fourth Brigade.

The executive committee of the Beauvoir Soldiers' Home met a few days ago in the auditor's office. The meeting was held for the purpose of going over certain matters relative to the opening of the home on Dec. 1. A committee was appointed to buy the rest of the furniture and see that it is in the building by Dec. 1. The directors announce positively that the home will open on that date. Secretary Henry states that he has received thirty-four applications for admission and has heard of others that will come in before the opening day.

A State association of osteopathic physicians has been perfected. The following officers were elected: R. L. Price, president, Jackson; E. T. Riley, vice president, Columbus; Mrs. Mildred Pierce, secretary-treasurer, Jackson. By a recent decision of the Supreme Court of the State it is lawful to practice osteopathy in Mississippi, the court having held that it was not necessary for osteopaths to stand an examination before the State Board of Health, and since that time a good many of the profession have located in the State.

Governor Longino has not ordered the special election to be held in Yazoo and Hinds counties to elect a floater Representative to the place made vacant by the death of Frank B. Neal. It is probable that he will not act on this matter until the City Council calls an election to fill the vacancy in the office of city treasurer, and that both elections will be held on the same day.

The following delegates were appointed to represent Jackson at the meeting of the State Businessmen's League: Mayor Hemingway, Major Millsaps, W. J. McGee, R. E. Kennington, W. Calvin Wells, Jr., T. P. Barr, M. E. Wainwright, J. S. Taylor, Geo. F. Bauer, I. C. Ward, F. J. Council, A. D. Campbell, J. S. Newcomer, R. Griffith, Wm. Henry, E. W. Strauss, J. Ehrman, J. Hunter Taylor, E. L. Robyn.

SELECTING THE THANKSGIVING TURKEY

BY A. B. FROST.



—From Harper's Weekly.

great birds to get sick. They are great birds to roam away and get lost. They are great birds to be slain by other creatures of the countryside.

There is in Trevoze a farmer who had last year a fine flock of forty turkeys. These birds, like all of their kind, would start out on their rounds

quality is, therefore, from six to seven months old. At that age it is pretty well matured. The big turkeys—the thirty-pound gobblers, the twenty-five-pound hens—that are to be found upon the market are old birds. Prepared properly, however (parboiled first, then roasted slowly, with assiduous basting), they make excellent eating.

The turkey belongs to Thanksgiving because on the original Thanksgiving Day, at Plymouth in 1621, turkey was the feature of the repast. The records of Edwin Winslow describe that old-time feast as follows:

"Our Governor sent four men fowling so that we might, after a special manner, rejoice together. They four in one day killed as much turkey fowl as, with a little help besides, served the company nearly a week. At which time, among other recreations, we exercised our arms, many Indians coming among us, among the rest their greatest king, Massasoit, with some ninety men, whom for three days we entertained and feasted."

ORIGIN OF THE NAME.

The name turkey is believed to come from the cluck of the bird—"turk, turk, turk." Dr. Samuel Johnson, in his dictionary, thought the name came from the country, and made his definition "Turkey—a large domestic fowl brought from Turkey." The French also have a singular error about this bird, which they call "poule d'inde," or "hinde," a fowl from the Indies,

When Grandma Bastes the Turkey

When gran'ma bastes the turkey
We children watch to see
The way she pours the basting on,
As slick as slick can be.

We hear the turkey "fizzle,"
An' know it's getting browned;
But when she puts the basting on,
Why then we jus' stan' 'round.

I like the Christmas stocking,
The frosted New Year's cake;
I like the birthday presents
My aunts buy or make;

But jus' the bestest time of all
Thanksgiving brings to me—
When gran'ma bastes the turkey,
An' we all stan' 'round to see.



A Selfish Suggestion.

The Gobbler—"In this age of the horseless carriage, let me suggest a turkeyless Thanksgiving."—Life.